Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, The Department of South Dakota Veterans of Foreign Wars and Ladies Auxiliary are celebrating their 75th Anniversary; and,

Whereas, Gary Knudson, Pierre Post #2038 member, was elected as State Commander to lead 14,000 Veterans of Foreign Wars members; and,

Whereas, Nancy Chester, Auxiliary member to Post #2038, was elected as State Auxiliary President to provide leadership to 8,400 members; and,

Whereas, This is the first time Pierre has had a State Commander and State President serve during the same year; and,

Whereas, Members, family, and friends from throughout South Dakota will gather Saturday, July 30, 2005, to recognize the achievements of Gary and Nancy at a testimonial dinner in their honor at the Fort Pierre Youth Center:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 30, 2005, as

STATE COMMANDER GARY KNUDSON DAY

AND

AUXILIARY PRESIDENT NANCY CHESTER DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Eighteenth Day of July in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State